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AKADEMIK SERGEY KOROLEV (SSESS) HAVANA PORT, CUBA 23-07N 082-20W

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REFERENCE TO: OLD HEAD MISSION G-211A

AKADEMIK SERGEY KOROLEV (SSESS)
HAVANA PORT, CUBA

1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THE AKADEMIK SERGEY KOROLEV, A NEWLY CONSTRUCTED AND COMMISSIONED SOVIET SPACE EVENT SUPPORT SHIP, WAS OBSERVED IN CUBA FOR THE FIRST TIME AT LA HABANA PORT.

2. <u>LOCATION</u>:

IA HABANA PORT IS ON THE NORTHERN COAST OF CUBA AT 23-07-50N 082-20-50W.

3. COLLATERAL:

A SOVIET PRESS RELEASE IN PRAVDA ON 28 DECEMBER

1970 ANNOUNCED COMPLETION OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF

THE SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH VESSEL AKADEMIK SERGEY

KOROLEV AT THE BLACK SEA YARDS IN NIKOLAYEV. THE

ARTICLE ALSO STATED THAT THE SHIP "IS UNIQUE IN

DESIGN AND FITTINGS AND IS INTENDED FOR INDEPENDENT

CONTROL OF ARTIFICIAL EARTH SATELLITES."

4. DIMENSIONS/SPECIFICATIONS: ACCORDING TO A TASS ANNOUNCEMENT (FBIS DAILY REPORT
ON 29 DEC 70), THE SHIP IS APPROXIMATELY 182 BY 25

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METERS (597 BY 82 FEET), DISPLACES 21,250 TONS, AND HAS A SPEED OF 17.5 KNOTS. THE CREW AND SCIENTIFIC PERSONNEL NUMBER 300.

5. MISSION READOUT: THE AKADEMIK SERGEY KOROLEV, A SOVIET SPACE EVENT SUPPORT SHIP, WAS OBSERVED AT CAYO CRUZ WHARF 4 IN HAVANA PORT.

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ENLARGEMENT FACTOR: 100X

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